

Interview Summary

Applicants' Attorney would like to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended during the telephone interview of October 21, 2009. The interview was a telephone interview, and as such, no exhibits were shown or demonstrations conducted. In general, all of the claims were discussed, with the focus of the claims discussion being the fact that a bead of material is extruded onto a substrate.

Specifically, U.S. Patent No. 6,120,634 was discussed. The only proposed amendment was that to the specification to correct a typographical error. The phrase "The bead of material 20" will be amended to "The bead of material 17".

The general thrust of the argument presented by Applicants' attorney was that the Harrold patent formed a bead on the forming wheel and was not formed on a substrate, as claimed in the present invention.

No other pertinent matters were discussed. The result or outcome of the interview was such that an agreement was not reached. It was decided that Applicants will file an RCE to correct the typographical error and the examiner will do a further search with respect to extruding a bead onto a substrate.